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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HELD IN THE STUDENTS' OBSERVATORY, BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA, NOVEMBER 27, 1909, AT 7:30 P. M.

In the absence of President Campbell, the chair was occupied by Professor A. O. Leuschner.

The following were elected to membership in the Society:-

Mr. John S. Hodgin,

Mr. THOMAS T. GREAVES,

Mr. CHARLES F. HART,

Mr. E. D. RODGERS.

Application for life membership in the Society was received from Dr. C. D. Perrine and favorably acted upon.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN THE STUDENTS' OBSERVATORY, BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA, NOVEMBER 27, 1909, AT 8 P. M.

Professor A. O. LEUSCHNER presided over the meeting.

Dr. Heber D. Curtis, of Lick Observatory, delivered a most interesting lecture upon "Astronomical Problems of the Southern Hemisphere and the Work of the D. O. Mills Expedition." The lecture was illustrated by many excellent lantern slides, throwing light upon the scientific subjects discussed, and descriptive also of the Chilean environment in which Dr. Curtis has spent the past two years as director of the expedition.

The exercises of the evening closed with an illustrated lecture by Dr. T. J. J. See, of the Mare Island Naval Observatory, on "The Origin of the So-Called Craters on the Moon." According to the theory of Dr. See, the "craters" are the result of collision between the moon and bodies from outer space. The remarks of the speaker called forth some adverse criticism from members present and resulted in a spirited debate. Adjourned.

D. S. RICHARDSON,

Secretary.